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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowability mailed January 3, 2005, Applicant submits the following remarks responsive to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

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REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance, Applicant believes that a separate Statement of Reasons for Allowance is unnecessary in the present case as the file history sufficiently sets forth the patentable distinctions of claims 1-20.

The patentability of claims 1-20 lies in each claim as a whole. That is, a single particular element or feature of a claim does not define the claim's patentability, but rather, it is each of the elements and the interconnection therebetween that define that which is claimed. The claims cannot be considered to be limited in scope based on this brief statement by the Examiner. Further, the claims are not limited only to a particular figure set forth in the specification and must be read to cover embodiments of the invention not specifically described in the specification or shown in the figures.

Applicant does not acquiesce to the accuracy of the Examiner's statements in the Reasons for Allowance nor the Examiner's paraphrasing of the claims.

Entry of these remarks is appreciated. Applicant cordially invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned, should the Examiner consider any matters unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,

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